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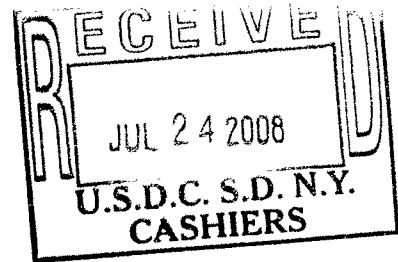
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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ABKCO MUSIC, INC.,

Case No.:



Plaintiff,

**COMPLAINT**

-against-

DWAYNE MICHAEL CARTER, JR. p/k/a  
LIL WAYNE, NICHOLAS MARK WARWAR  
p/k/a STREETRUNNER, JASON  
DESROULEUX, CASH MONEY RECORDS,  
INC., UNIVERSAL MOTOWN REPUBLIC GROUP,  
UNIVERSAL MUSIC GROUP RECORDINGS,  
INC., YOUNG MONEY PUBLISHING INC.,  
WARNER-TAMERLANE PUBLISHING CORP.,  
WARNER/CHAPPELL MUSIC, INC., and EMI  
MUSIC PUBLISHING,

Defendants.

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Plaintiff, ABKCO MUSIC, INC. ("ABKCO"), by its attorneys, MICHAEL B. KRAMER & ASSOCIATES, upon information and belief (except as to the allegations regarding Plaintiff and the rights it asserts herein) alleges for its complaint against Defendants, DWAYNE MICHAEL CARTER, JR. p/k/a LIL WAYNE ("Lil Wayne"), NICHOLAS MARK WARWAR

p/k/a STREETRANNER (“Streetrunner”), JASON DESROULEUX (“Desrouleux”), CASH MONEY RECORDS, INC. (“Cash Money”), UNIVERSAL MOTOWN REPUBLIC GROUP (“Universal Motown”), UNIVERSAL MUSIC GROUP RECORDINGS, INC. (“UMG Recordings”), YOUNG MONEY PUBLISHING INC. (“Young Money”), WARNER-TAMERLANE PUBLISHING CORP. (“WP Publishing”), WARNER/CHAPPELL MUSIC, INC. (“WC Music”), and EMI MUSIC PUBLISHING (“EMI”) (collectively referred to as the “Defendants”) as follows:

### **NATURE OF ACTION**

1. Plaintiff, ABKCO, is a music publishing company founded by legendary businessman and manager Allen Klein, which has for almost fifty (50) years been one of the most significant and successful independent music publisher in the world. Amongst the vast catalogue of compositions which ABKCO owns are most of the many classic songs written by Mick Jagger and Keith Richards of The Rolling Stones, including “[I Can’t Get No] Satisfaction”, “Jumpin’ Jack Flash”, “You Can’t Always Get What You Want” and “Gimme Shelter”, as well as the entire Sam Cooke catalogue which includes “You Send Me”, “Wonderful World”, “Another Saturday Night” and “A Change Is Gonna Come”.

2. ABKCO is the owner of the United States copyright (and all copyright throughout the World) in and to the rock n’ roll classic musical composition, “Play with Fire” (the “Composition”), written by the five original members of The Rolling Stones<sup>1</sup>, one of the most celebrated bands in the world. The Rolling Stones have over the past forty (40) years sold more than 200 million albums worldwide. In 1986, they were presented with a Grammy

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<sup>1</sup> Mick Jagger, Keith Richards, Brian Jones, Charlie Watts and Bill Wyman who used the *nom de plume*, “Nanker G:\MBKA\ABKCO\Lil Wayne\Pleadings\complaint v2.rtf

Lifetime Achievement Award. In 1989 The Rolling Stones were inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, and in 2004 they were ranked number 4 in *Rolling Stone* magazine's 100 Greatest Artists of All Time.

3. The Composition itself has had continuous exposure and radio play since it was written, recorded and released by The Rolling Stones and ABKCO's affiliated company, ABKCO Records, in 1965. The Composition was originally released as the b-side to its album mate, "The Last Time", and was later included on the 1965 album *Out of Our Heads*. It was also featured prominently on the 1971 collection *Hot Rocks*, as well as *Singles Collection: The London Years* and closing the U.S. version of the 1966 collection *Big Hits (High Tide and Green Grass)*. The song was performed live during The Rolling Stones' tours of 1965 and 1966 before being revived for the 1989-1990 Steel Wheels/Urban Jungle Tour. The Composition was recently featured in the 2007 film *The Darjeeling Limited* and appeared on the soundtrack album. ABKCO has also issued synchronization licenses for the Composition for *Shoot The Moon* (1982), *The Heidi Chronicles* (1989), *The Lips of Mick Jagger* (1997), *Time's Up* (2001), and *American Dreams* (2005). The Composition has earned over one million dollars (\$1,000,000) in income for ABKCO and the writers and has been embodied on recordings that have sold in excess of 20 million units worldwide.

4. Plaintiff brings this action for, *inter alia*, copyright infringement, declaratory judgment under the Copyright Act of the United States, and violation of the Lanham Act in connection with a certain musical composition and recording, entitled "Playing With Fire"

(the “Infringing Work”) which is contained on the recently released album *Tha Carter III* (the “Infringing Album”) by the performing artist Lil Wayne.

5. Defendants have willfully and deliberately released and began selling and distributing directly to the public the Infringing Work which is a clear derivative of the Composition with the original lyrics and music of the Composition altered but recognizable, and upon information and belief have also performed their derivative of ABKCO’s copyrighted musical composition.

6. Upon information and belief, despite notice that their actions constituted copyright infringement, Defendants continue to make, distribute and publicly perform copies of the Infringing Work.

7. By this action, Plaintiffs seek judgment: (a) Declaring that Defendants’ unauthorized creation and/or distribution of the Infringing Work willfully infringed Plaintiff’s copyrights in and to the Composition in violation of the Copyright Act; (b) For a preliminary and permanent injunction enjoining Defendants and their respective agents, employees, officers and directors, attorneys, successors, licensees, and assigns, and all those persons acting in concert and combination therewith, from further infringement of Plaintiff’s copyrights in the Composition, including but not limited to the sale and distribution of the Infringing Work and the Infringing Album; (c) Ordering that the Defendants deliver up for destruction all copies or phonorecords containing the Infringing Work which have been made or used in violation of the Plaintiff’s exclusive rights, and of all masters or other articles by means of which such copies or phonorecords may be reproduced; (d) Awarding Plaintiff, at its election, either (i) actual damages and the profits derived by Defendants as a result of their infringing activities, pursuant

to 17 U.S.C. § 504(b), or (ii) statutory damages in the maximum amount of \$150,000 with respect to the Composition, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 504(c); (e) Declaring that Defendants' actions constitute a violation of Section 43(a) of the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1125(a)(1)(A), with damages to be determined at trial; (f) Declaring that Defendants' actions constitute a violation of state and common law unfair competition and misappropriation, with damages to be determined at trial; (g) For an accounting, the imposition of a constructive trust and restitution and disgorgement of Defendants' unlawful profits and benefits obtained as a result of their misappropriation and unfair competition and damages according to proof; (h) For punitive and exemplary damages in such amount as may be awarded at trial; (i) For prejudgment interest according to law; and (j) Awarding Plaintiffs their attorneys' fees and full costs pursuant to 17 U.S.C. §505.

### **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

8. This Court has jurisdiction over these claims pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1338(a) and 1367. This Court has venue under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(b) and (c) and 1400(a).

### **THE PARTIES**

9. Plaintiff, ABKCO is a New York corporation, with its principal place of business at 1700 Broadway, New York, New York, and is actively engaged in the business of music publishing, whereby, *inter alia*, it licenses the recording, reproduction, public performances, synchronization and distribution of musical compositions for which it either owns or controls the copyrights.

10. Upon information and belief, Lil Wayne is a music performer, writer, and producer, and is a resident of the State of Louisiana. Upon information and belief, Lil Wayne participated in the creation of the Infringing Work, and has performed the Infringing Work for inclusion of his recording of the Infringing Album.

11. Upon information and belief, Streeterunner is a music performer, writer, and producer, and is a resident of the State of Florida. Upon information and belief, Streeterunner participated in the creation of the Infringing Work.

12. Upon information and belief, Desrouleaux is a songwriter and is a resident of the State of Florida. Upon information and belief, Desrouleaux participated in the creation of the Infringing Work.

13. Upon information and belief, Cash Money is a division of Universal Motown, which is in turn a division of UMG Recordings, a foreign publicly held corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, and authorized to do business in New York, with offices located at 1755 Broadway, 6th Floor, New York, NY 10019. Upon information and belief, Cash Money has at all times relevant hereto sold and/or distributed the Infringing Album, which contains the Infringing Work, in the United States and abroad.

14. Upon information and belief, Universal Motown is a division of UMG Recordings, a foreign publicly held corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, and authorized to do business in New York, with its offices located at 1755 Broadway, 6th Floor, New York, NY 10019. Upon information and belief, Universal Motown has at all times relevant hereto sold and/or distributed the Infringing Album, which contains the Infringing Work, in the United States and abroad.

15. Upon information and belief, UMG Recordings is a foreign publicly held corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, and authorized to do business in New York, with its offices located at 1755 Broadway, 6th Floor, New York, NY 10019. Upon information and belief, UMG Recordings has at all times relevant hereto sold and/or distributed the Infringing Album, which contains the Infringing Work, in the United States and abroad.

16. Upon information and belief, Young Money is a division of WP Publishing, which is in turn a division of WC Music, a foreign publicly held corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, and authorized to do business in New York, with its offices located at 75 Rockefeller Plaza, 30th Floor, New York, New York. Upon information and belief, Young Money has, at all times relevant hereto, purported to be the owner of all or a portion of the Infringing Work and has created, sold, licensed and otherwise commercially exploited the Infringing Work in the United States and abroad.

17. Upon information and belief, WP Publishing is a division of WC Music, a foreign publicly held corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, and authorized to do business in New York, with its offices located at 75 Rockefeller Plaza, 30th Floor, New York, NY 10019. Upon information and belief, WP Publishing has, at all times relevant hereto, purported to be the owner of all or a portion of the Infringing Work and has created, sold, licensed and otherwise commercially exploited the Infringing Work in the United States and abroad.

18. Upon information and belief, WC Music is a foreign publicly held corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, and authorized to do business in New York, with its offices located at 75 Rockefeller Plaza, 30th Floor, New York, New York.

Upon information and belief, WC Music has, at all times relevant hereto, purported to be the owner of all or a portion of the Infringing Work and has created, sold, licensed and otherwise commercially exploited the Infringing Work in the United States and abroad.

19. Upon information and belief, EMI Publishing is a foreign publicly held corporation organized under the laws of the United Kingdom, and authorized to do business in New York, with its offices located at 75 Ninth Avenue, 4th Floor, New York, New York. Upon information and belief, EMI Publishing has, at all times relevant hereto, purported to be the owner of all or a portion of the Infringing Work and has created, sold, licensed and otherwise commercially exploited the Infringing Work in the United States and abroad.

### **BACKGROUND FACTS**

20. ABKCO has invested and continues to invest substantial sums of money, time, effort and creative talent to create, promote, license and otherwise exploit its extremely valuable and irreplaceable catalogue of musical compositions including the Composition. Over the years ABKCO has paid millions of dollars in royalties to its writers and has steadfastly protected its interests and the interests of its writers in ABKCO's musical compositions, including the Composition. ABKCO has carefully ensured that the uses of its musical catalogue reflect well on itself and the writers whose legacy is often dependant on protecting those compositions. ABKCO has incurred millions of dollars in legal expense in prosecuting actions against unauthorized users such as digital download pirates who have sought to profit from the efforts of ABKCO and ABKCO's writers without approval and/or required compensation. ABKCO and its writers are compensated for their creative effort and monetary investments



largely from revenues attributable to (i) the manufacture or digital downloads of phonorecords to the public, (ii) the public performance of the compositions and (iii) license fees from the grant of so-called synchronization licenses for the use of compositions in commercials and motion pictures. The reputation of ABKCO as a first class music publisher and the duty that ABKCO has to its writers to protect their creations and their reputations require ABKCO's vigilance in prohibiting third parties such as Defendants from tarnishing those creations and reputations with unauthorized appropriations, alterations and exploitations of ABKCO's compositions.

21. ABKCO is the copyright owner or owner of exclusive rights under United States copyright with respect to the Composition. ABKCO has received a Certificate of Copyright Registration from the Register of Copyrights for "Play with Fire," a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

22. On or about October 1, 2007, ABKCO was contacted by a representative (Carlos Hudgins) from EMI requesting that its writer/producer, Streeterunner, be authorized to use a sample of the words and music of the Composition in a mostly "instrumental" recording entitled "Don't Play" to be embodied on the Infringing Album (the "Instrumental Version"). ABKCO was supplied with a copy of the Instrumental Version which contained, in the introduction and at the finale, the sampling of the famous chorus of the Composition performed on the Instrumental Version by Betty Wright.

23. On or about October 2, 2007, ABKCO agreed to authorize the Instrumental Version for use in the Infringing Album on the express condition that the copyright Instrumental Version, which would be a derivative of the copyrighted Composition would be assigned to ABKCO.

24. On or about October 12, 2007, ABKCO sent to Streeterunner and to Carlos Hudgins of EMI an “Agreement and Assignment of Copyright” regarding the Instrumental Version (the “Instrumental Agreement”). ABKCO never received any word from the recipients and the Instrumental Agreement was never executed or returned.

25. On, or about January 12, 2008, ABKCO contacted EMI regarding the status of the Instrumental Agreement. EMI never responded. Instead, on February 11, 2008, EMI contacted ABKCO proposing a new derivative work containing highly explicit and offensive lyrics (the “February 11<sup>th</sup> Version”). The February 11<sup>th</sup> Version, like the Instrumental Version contained substantial portions of the lyrics and music of the Composition at the beginning and the end but, instead of a purely instrumental section in between the uses of the Composition, the February 11<sup>th</sup> Version contained highly explicit, sexist and offensive lyrics performed by the Defendant Lil Wayne.

26. Immediately upon review of the new derivative work, ABKCO rejected the use of the Composition in the February 11<sup>th</sup> Version, as ABKCO would not want ABKCO or its writers associated with such offensive and explicit lyrics and vile content. ABKCO’s sent its denial to EMI via email within fifteen (15) minutes of receiving the February 11<sup>th</sup> Version. A copy of EMI’s email and ABKCO’s response is attached hereto as Exhibit “B.”

27. ABKCO received no further communication from any of the Defendants.

28. On June 10, 2008, the Infringing Album was released containing the Infringing Work performed by Lil Wayne and Betty Wright and with the writers credited as “D. Carter, N. Warwar and J. Desrouleux”. Amongst the music publishers of the Infringing Work listed are the Defendants Young Money and Warner-Chappell Music. A copy of the liner notes

to the Infringing Album are attached hereto as Exhibit "C.". The Defendants, or some of them, made a poor attempt to hide their obvious use of the Composition in the Infringing Work by making some changes to the lyrics and music in the introduction and at the end. The middle remained the same as the February 11<sup>th</sup> Version with the offensive lyrics performed by Lil Wayne. A copy of the lyrics of the Infringing Composition are annexed as Exhibit "D".

29. ABKCO only learned of the existence of the Infringing Work upon discovering a review of the release of the Infringing Album, which contained the Infringing Work. Significantly, the review, published by the Chicago Sun Times, not only mentioned the Infringing Work as "Streetrunner's re-invention of The Rolling Stones' 'Play With Fire,'" but also commented that the Composition is "wasted on a Lil Wayne lyric that seems to have been devoted to being as inanely sexist as possible." A copy of the complete article is attached hereto as Exhibit "E".

30. Anthony Ricigliano, a noted musicologist, was immediately retained to provide his expert opinion. A copy of his preliminary report is attached hereto as Exhibit "F". Critically, Mr. Ricigliano report goes so far as to conclude that, upon review of the Infringing Work, the similarity is apparent to even a layperson's ear.

31. Further, even to a layperson, portions of the lyrics of the Infringing Work are clearly derivations of the original lyrics to the Composition<sup>2</sup>.

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<sup>2</sup> The following is a comparison of the lyrics of the Composition and the Infringing Work presented side by side. Both of these verses are the first to be sung in each work.

32. ABKCO has the exclusive rights to, *inter alia*, produce derivative works based on the Composition and to distribute such derivative works to the public. Upon information and belief, Defendants, and each of them, have made, copied, reproduced and/or distributed the Infringing Work, which is an unlawful derivative work, and made the Infringing Work available for unlawful and unauthorized distribution and performance to the public.

33. Upon information and belief, Defendants have intentionally and deliberately created and distributed the Infringing Work without authorization because they knew that that they would be unable to secure such permission from ABKCO.

34. Upon information and belief, members of the consuming public are likely to believe that the Composition was properly authorized by ABKCO and/or ABKCO's writers, the individual members of The Rolling Stones.

35. Further, Defendant's creation and distribution of the Infringing Work will likely to cause the public to believe that ABKCO and The Rolling Stones have given their approval, authorization and endorsement of the explicit, sexist and offensive language featured in the lyrics of the Infringing Work.

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The Composition

*[ Verse 1 ]*

Well, you've got your diamonds and  
you've got your pretty clothes  
And the chauffeur drives your car  
You let everybody know  
But don't play with me, cause you're  
playing with fire

The Infringing Work

*[ Intro ]*

So you've got so ma-ny diamonds,  
You wear all the finest clothes,  
And your grill is shining  
As you're driving down the streets of  
gold,  
But you can't, blame, me if I set this  
stage on fire

36. Defendants engaged and continue to engage in the business of knowingly and systematically participating in, facilitating, materially contributing to, and encouraging the unauthorized distribution and performance of the Infringing Work.

37. Prior to creating and/or distributing the Infringing Work, Defendants were fully aware that the Infringing Work would infringe the copyrights of the Composition.

38. The Defendants knowingly made the Infringing Work available to the public, without seeking or obtaining any license or other authorization from ABKCO to make distributions and/or performances of the Infringing Work.

**FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION**  
**(Copyright Infringement)**

39. Plaintiff repeats and realleges the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 - 38 as if fully set forth herein.

40. At all relevant times, ABKCO is and has been the rightful owner of the copyrights to and in the Composition.

41. The original filing for the Composition was made with the United States Copyright Office at which time the deposit, application, and fee required for registration of the Composition pursuant to 17 U.S.C. §§ 408, 409 and Copyright Registration EU0000874314 was issued on March 16, 1965. Copyright in and to the Composition was renewed on December 13, 1993 with Registration No. RE0000662376. See Exhibit "A."

42. Defendants have no license or any other form of permission to create a derivative work or otherwise claim copyright ownership in the Composition or to sell or distribute any derivative of the Composition.

43. Defendants have altered the lyrics and changed the music of the Composition, creating a derivative work. The Infringing Work is not a cover of the Composition, and therefore is not applicable to statutes concerning compulsory licenses.

44. Defendants have infringed ABKCO's copyright in the Composition, in violation of the Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. §§ 106 and 501, by copying, publishing and distributing the Infringing Work.

45. Defendants infringement of the copyrights in the Copyrighted Works was intentional, willful, and with full knowledge of Plaintiff's copyrights.

46. Defendants' unauthorized exploitation of the Composition by the Infringing Work is in derogation of and injurious to ABKCO's exclusive rights as the owner of the copyright to the Composition all to ABKCO's substantial and irreparable damage.

47. By reason of the foregoing acts of copyright infringement, ABKCO is entitled to a permanent injunction enjoining Defendants from continuing the aforesaid acts of infringement pursuant to the Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. § 502

48. By reason of the foregoing acts of copyright infringement, ABKCO is entitled to the impounding and destruction of all copies or phonorecords which have been made or used in violation of the ABKCO's exclusive rights, and of all masters or other articles by means of which such copies or phonorecords may be reproduced pursuant to the Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. § 503.

49. By reason of the foregoing acts of copyright infringement, ABKCO is entitled to actual damages including all profits reaped by the Defendants as a result of their infringement pursuant to the Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. § 504. Alternatively, ABKCO is entitled to the maximum statutory damages pursuant to 17 U.S.C. §504(c) for each infringement. Therefore, ABKCO demands an accounting to ascertain such profits

50. ABKCO is further entitled to its attorneys' fees and full costs pursuant to 17 U.S.C. §505.

**SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION**  
**(Lanham Act Unfair Competition)**

51. Plaintiff repeats and realleges the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1-50 as if fully set forth herein.

52. The Rolling Stones are world renowned artists, writers, and performers. They have been in the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and have been presented with a Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award. They have sold millions of album and toured extensively. They are a household name. ABKCO, as the owner of the copyrights of many works by the Rolling Stones, including the Composition, have expended substantial amounts of time and money to maintain the goodwill and popularity surrounding Rolling Stones songs, including the Composition. The Composition is a well known Rolling Stones song, featured in multiple albums, movies, and on tours.

53. ABKCO has distributed and provided goods and services in interstate commerce in connection with the Composition's goodwill and notariety, and have realized substantial income from the provision and sale of such goods and services.

54. Defendants' exploitation of the Infringing Work is likely to cause confusion, mistake or deception by misleading consumers and the trade into believing that ABKCO licensed or otherwise authorized the use of the Composition as the origin of the derivative Infringing Work, or that the Infringing Work is otherwise endorsed by ABKCO or the Rolling Stones.



55. Defendants' conduct is in willful and deliberate violation of Section 43(a) of the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1125(a)(1)(A) and is highly damaging to ABKCO's and The Rolling Stones' reputations, especially considering the offensive and explicit lyrics.

56. Defendants have profited and continue to profit from their unlawful conduct and will, unless restrained, further impair ABKCO's and The Rolling Stones' goodwill and reputations, and ABKCO will suffer irreparable injury which cannot be adequately calculated or compensated solely by money damages.

57. ABKCO has no adequate remedy at law.

58. By reason of the foregoing, ABKCO is entitled to a permanent injunction enjoining Defendants from continuing the aforesaid acts.

**THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION**  
**(Unfair Competition and Misappropriation Under State Law)**

59. Plaintiff repeats and realleges the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1-58 as if fully set forth herein.

60. Defendants deliberately have sought to capitalize on ABKCO's, The Rolling Stones' and the Composition's reputations and goodwill in willful and wanton disregard of the ABKCO's rights therein. Defendant's acts constitute a misappropriation of ABKCO's labor and expenditures and constitute an attempt by Defendants to trade upon the valuable reputation and tremendous goodwill of ABKCO, The Rolling Stones and the Composition.

61. The foregoing acts and conduct of the Defendants constitute a misappropriation and invasion of the property rights of ABKCO in and to the Composition and constitute misappropriation and unfair competition under state statutory and common law.

62. Defendants have profited and continue to profit from their unlawful conduct and will, unless restrained, further impair ABKCO's and The Rolling Stones' goodwill and reputations, and ABKCO will suffer irreparable injury which cannot be adequately calculated or compensated solely by money damages.

63. ABKCO has no adequate remedy at law.

64. By reason of the foregoing acts, ABKCO is entitled to a permanent injunction enjoining Defendants from continuing the such acts.

65. Through their conduct the Defendants have acted knowingly, recklessly and with malice and the Plaintiffs are, in addition to their actual damages, by reason thereof, entitled to recover exemplary and punitive damages against Defendants.

**FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION**  
**(Accounting)**

66. Plaintiff repeats and realleges the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1-65 as if fully set forth herein.

67. Due to the abovementioned violations of federal state and common law, ABKCO demands that the Defendants render an accounting to ascertain the amount of such profits which have been realized to such violations.

68. As a direct and proximate result of the Defendants' misappropriation and unfair competition, the Plaintiff has been damaged, and Defendants have been unjustly enriched, in an amount to be proven at trial for which damages and/or restitution and disgorgement are appropriate. Such damages and/or restitution and disgorgement should include a declaration by this Court that Defendants, and each of them, are constructive trustees for the benefit of Plaintiffs

and order that Defendants convey to the Plaintiff all gross receipts and benefits received or to be received that are attributable to the infringement of the Composition.

**FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION**  
**(Punitive Damages)**

69. Plaintiff repeats and realleges the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1-68 as if fully set forth herein.

70. Through their conduct the Defendants have acted knowingly, recklessly and with malice and the Plaintiff is, in addition to its actual damages, by reason thereof, entitled to recover exemplary and punitive damages against Defendants.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully requests judgment against Defendants as follows:

(a) Declaring that Defendants' unauthorized creation and/or distribution of the Infringing Work willfully infringed Plaintiff's copyrights in violation of the Copyright Act;

(b) For a preliminary and permanent injunction enjoining Defendants and their respective agents, employees, officers and directors, attorneys, successors, licensees, and assigns, and all those persons acting in concert and combination therewith, from further infringement of Plaintiff's copyrights in the Composition, including but not limited to the sale and distribution of the Infringing Work and the Infringing Album;

(c) Ordering that the Defendants deliver up for destruction of all copies or phonorecords which have been made or used in violation of the Plaintiff's exclusive rights, and of all masters or other articles by means of which such copies or phonorecords may be reproduced;

(d) Awarding Plaintiff, at its election, either (i) actual damages and the profits derived by Defendants, and each of them, as a result of its infringing activities, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 504(b), or (ii) statutory damages in the maximum amount of \$150,000 with respect to the Composition, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 504(c);

(e) Declaring that Defendants' actions constitute a violation of Section 43(a) of the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1125(a)(1)(A), with damages to be determined at trial;

(f) Declaring that Defendants' actions constitute a violation of state and common law unfair competition and misappropriation, with damages to be determined at trial

(g) For an accounting, the imposition of a constructive trust and restitution and disgorgement of Defendants' unlawful profits and benefits obtained as a result of their misappropriation and unfair competition and damages according to proof;

(h) For punitive and exemplary damages in such amount as may be awarded at trial;

(i) For prejudgment interest according to law; and

(j) Awarding Plaintiff its attorneys' fees and full costs pursuant to 17 U.S.C. §505;

(k) Granting Plaintiff such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.

Dated: New York, New York  
July 23, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

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## TITLE OF WORK IN WHICH RENEWAL IS CLAIMED:

PLAY WITH FIRE ✓

## RENEWABLE MATTER:

WORDS AND MUSIC

## CONTRIBUTION TO PERIODICAL OR COMPOSITE WORK:

Title of periodical or composite work:

If a periodical or other serial, give: Vol.

No.

Issue Date

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1 Renewal Claimant(s)	RENEWAL CLAIMANT(S), ADDRESS(ES), AND STATEMENT OF CLAIM: (See Instructions)	
	1	Name ..... MICK JAGGER C/O ABKCO MUSIC, INC. Address ..... 1700 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, NY 10019 Claiming as CO-AUTHOR (Use appropriate statement from instructions)
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061523782 *061523782	TITLE OF WORK IN WHICH RENEWAL IS CLAIMED:  PLAY WITH FIRE
	RENEWABLE MATTER:  WORDS AND MUSIC
	CONTRIBUTION TO PERIODICAL OR COMPOSITE WORK: Title of periodical or composite work ..... If a periodical or other serial, give: Vol ..... No ..... Issue Date .....

3 Author(s)	AUTHOR(S) OF RENEWABLE MATTER:  MICK JAGGER KEITH RICHARD BRIAN JONES CHARLIE WATTS BILL WYMAN
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Name: ABKCO MUSIC, INC.  
 Account Number: DAO 34975

**CORRESPONDENCE:** (Give name and address to which correspondence about this application should be sent.)

Name: ALISA RITZ  
 Address: C/O ABKCO MUSIC, INC., 1700 BROADWAY  
 NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10019  
(City) (State) (ZIP)

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Fee and  
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**CERTIFICATION:** I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am the: (Check one)

☐ renewal claimant

☒ duly authorized agent of: RENEWAL CLAIMANT

of the work identified in this application, and that the statements made by me in this application are correct to the best of my knowledge.



Handwritten signature (X) .....

Typed or printed name: ALISA RITZ

Date: .....

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Certification  
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ABKCO MUSIC, INC. (Name)

1700 BROADWAY (Number, Street and Apartment Number)

NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10019 (City) (State) (ZIP code)

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# CERTIFICATE OF SUPPLEMENTARY COPYRIGHT REGISTRATION

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UNITED STATES COPYRIGHT OFFICE



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REGISTRATION NUMBER									
PAU 1 489 708									
TX	TXU	PA	PAU	VA	VAU	SR	SRU	RE	
Effective Date of Supplementary Registration									
March			18			1991			
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<p>Basic Instructions</p>	TITLE OF WORK:	
	Play With Fire	
	REGISTRATION NUMBER OF BASIC REGISTRATION:	YEAR OF BASIC REGISTRATION:
	EU 874314	1965
	NAME(S) OF AUTHOR(S):	NAME(S) OF COPYRIGHT CLAIMANT(S):
	Mick Jagger/Keith Richard	Nanker Phelge Music Ltd.

<p>036956653</p>	LOCATION AND NATURE OF INCORRECT INFORMATION IN BASIC REGISTRATION:	
	Line Number ... 3	Line Heading or Description ... Authors
	INCORRECT INFORMATION AS IT APPEARS IN BASIC REGISTRATION:	
	Mick Jagger Keith Richard	
	CORRECTED INFORMATION:	
	Nanker Phelge nom de plume Mick Jagger, Keith Richards, Brian Jones, Charlie Watts and Bill Wyman	
	EXPLANATION OF CORRECTION: (Optional)	
	song writers names listed incorrectly see attached copy of *songwriters agreement	

<p>Amplification</p>	LOCATION AND NATURE OF INFORMATION IN BASIC REGISTRATION TO BE AMPLIFIED:	
	Line Number	Line Heading or Description
	AMPLIFIED INFORMATION:	
	EXPLANATION OF AMPLIFIED INFORMATION: (Optional)	

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REFERENCE TO THIS REGISTRATION  
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DEPOSIT ACCOUNT FUNDS USED: ☐

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Name ABKCO Music, Inc. Account Number DAO 34975

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Deposit  
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Instructions

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Give name and address to which correspondence should be sent:

Name ABKCO Music, Inc. Att: Alisa Ritz Apt. No.  
Address 1700 Broadway New York New York 10019  
(Number and Street) (City) (State) (ZIP Code)

**CERTIFICATION \*** I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am the: (Check one)

☐ author ☐ other copyright claimant ☐ owner of exclusive right(s) ☒ authorized agent of: ABKCO Music, Inc.\*  
(Name of author or other copyright claimant, or owner of exclusive right(s))  
of the work identified in this application and that the statements made by me in this application are correct to the best of my knowledge.

\*successor in interest to Nanker Phelge Music, Ltd.



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Typed or printed name: Alisa Ritz

Date: 3/13/91

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\* 17 USC §506(e) FALSE REPRESENTATION—Any person who knowingly makes a false representation of a material fact in the application for copyright registration provided for by section 409, or in any written statement filed in connection with the application, shall be fined not more than \$2,500

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# Certificate

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FORM E

CLASS <b>E</b>	REGISTRATION NO. <b>E P 296921</b>
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## 1. Copyright Claimant(s) and Address(es):

Name Abkco Music, Inc.

Address 1700 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10019

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

2. Title: PLAY WITH FIRE  
(Title of the musical composition)

(contained in Song Album "The Rolling Stones Hot Rocks 1964-1971")

## 3. Authors:

1. Mick Jagger (Nanker Phelge) Great Britain  
2. Keith Richard (Nanker Phelge) Great Britain  
(Legal name followed by pseudonym if latter appears on the copies) Citizenship: U.S.A. \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
(Check if U.S. citizen) (Name of country)

1. & 2. Domiciled in U.S.A. Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X Address London, England Author of words, music & Piano Arr.  
(State which: words, music, arrangement, etc.)

3. Bill Wyman (Nanker Phelge) Great Britain  
4. Brian Jones (Nanker Phelge) Great Britain  
(Legal name followed by pseudonym if latter appears on the copies) Citizenship: U.S.A. \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. Charlie Watts (Nanker Phelge) Great Britain  
(Legal name followed by pseudonym if latter appears on the copies) Citizenship: U.S.A. \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
(Check if U.S. citizen) (Name of country)

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(State which: words, music, arrangement, etc.)

## 4. (a) Date of Publication:

February 3, 1972\*

(Month) (Day) (Year)

## (b) Place of Publication:

United States

(Name of country)

## 5. Previous Registration or Publication:

Was work previously registered? Yes X No \_\_\_\_\_ Date of registration 3/16/65 Registration number Eu 874314

Was work previously published? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Date of publication \_\_\_\_\_ Registration number \_\_\_\_\_

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NM: New Piano Arrangement

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(Type or  
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name and  
address)Name  
AddressAbkco Music, Inc.1700 Broadway (41st Floor)

(Number and street)

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## Information concerning copyright in musical compositions

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## Published musical compositions

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and thereto for the term(s) of the copyright(s) therein.

<u>COMPOSITION (S)</u>	<u>WRITER (S)</u>	<u>U.S. COPYRIGHT NUMBER</u>
THE LAST TIME	Jagger/Richard	EU 874313

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<u>COMPOSITION(S)</u>	<u>WRITER(S)</u>	<u>U.S.COPYRIGHT NUMBER</u>
THE LAST TIME	JAGGER/RICHARD	EU 874313
PLAY WITH FIRE	JAGGER/RICHARD	EU 874314
SOME THINGS JUST STICK IN YOUR MIND	JAGGER/RICHARD	EU 893293
THE UNDER ASSISTANT WEST COAST PROMOTIONMAN	NANKER PHELGE	EU 895887

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused  
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*Shraham h. Kaminstein*

REGISTER OF COPYRIGHTS  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

**1. Name and Address of Copyright Owner:**

Name **IMMEDIATE MUSIC, INC.**

Address **1841 Broadway, Suite 600, New York, New York 10023**

**2. Musical Compositions Covered by Notice of Use:**

- I'D MUCH RATHER BE WITH THE GIRLS (Also Known as:)**
- (1) Title and Author **"I'D MUCH RATHER BE WITH THE BOYS" by Andrew Oldham**  
**Keith Richard** Registration No. **EU 871742** Year date: 19 **66**
- (2) Title and Author **"HEART OF STONE" by Mick Jagger / Keith Richard**  
 Registration No. **EF 29752** Year date: 19 **66**
- (3) Title and Author **"THE LAST TIME" by Mick Jagger / Keith Richard**  
 Registration No. **EU 874313** Year date: 19 **66**
- (4) Title and Author **"PLAY WITH FIRE" by Mick Jagger / Keith Richard**  
 Registration No. **EU 874314** Year date: 19 **66**
- (5) Title and Author **"THE UNDER ASSISTANT WEST COAST PROMOTION MAN" by**  
**Nanker Phelge** Registration No. **EU 895887** Year date: 19 **66**
- (6) Title and Author **"OFF THE HOOK" by Mick Jagger / Keith Richard**  
 Registration No. **EU 871745** Year date: 19 **66**
- (7) Title and Author \_\_\_\_\_  
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Name Daniel N. Crewe Address 1841 Broadway, Suite 600  
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New York	10023	New York
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## Information Concerning the "Notice of Use" Requirements

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**When to Use Form U.** A *notice of use* on Form U should be filed by the owner of copyright in a musical composition when he has recorded his work, or licensed it for recording, on mechanical instruments such as phonograph records.

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— Or, he may use the "compulsory licensing" provisions of the law, which do not require him to get permission from the copyright owner.

**The "Compulsory License."** Under the "compulsory licensing" provisions of the copyright statute, any person may make recordings of a musical composition which the copyright owner has already recorded or licensed for recording, if he pays the copyright owner

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**The Notice of Use.** As soon as the copyright owner has recorded his musical work or licensed someone else to make the first recording, he should file a *notice of use* in the Copyright Office.

— This *notice of use* is submitted on Form U and should be accompanied by the recording fee specified in the instructions on page 1.

— The law provides that any failure to file such a notice shall be a complete defense to any suit, action, or proceeding for any infringement of the right to reproduce the musical composition mechanically.

**Other Points to Remember:**

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FORM E FOREIGN

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<b>E</b>	<b>EU 874314</b>
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### 1. Copyright Claimant(s) and Address(es):

Name **NANKER PHELGE MUSIC LTD.**  
Address **23 Albemarle St., London W.1, England**  
Name  
Address

Title **"PLAY WITH FIRE"**  
(Title of the musical composition)

3. Authors:  
Name **Mick Jagger** (Legal name followed by pseudonym if latter appears on the copies)  
Domiciled in U.S.A. Yes ☒ No ☒ Address **23 Albemarle St., London W.1, England**  
Name **Keith Richards** (Legal name followed by pseudonym if latter appears on the copies)  
Domiciled in U.S.A. Yes ☒ No ☒ Address **SAME**  
Name **Author of Words & Music** (State which: words, music, arrangement, etc.)  
Citizenship **GREAT BRITAIN** (Name of country)  
Name **Author of Words & Music** (State which: words, music, arrangement, etc.)  
Citizenship **GREAT BRITAIN** (Name of country)

### 4. (a) Date of Publication:

(Month) (Day) (Year) **23.11.1964**

### (b) Place of Publication:

(Name of country)

### 5. Previous Registration or Publication:

Was work previously registered? Yes ☐ No ☐ Date of registration \_\_\_\_\_ Registration number \_\_\_\_\_  
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Name  
Address

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Name  
Address

### 2. Title: "PLAY WITH FIRE"

(Title of the musical composition)

### 3. Authors:

Name **Mick Jagger** Citizenship **GREAT BRITAIN**  
(Legal name followed by pseudonym if latter appears on the copies)

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**Lil Wayne**  
**Playing With Fire**

*[ Intro ]*

So you've got so ma-ny diamonds,  
You wear all the finest clothes,  
And your grill is shining  
As you're driving down the streets of gold,  
But you can't, blame, me if I set this stage on fire

*[ Verse 1: ]*

Mama always told me I was crazy,  
My hoes say I'm amazing,  
But I don't listen to a lady,  
But the bitch say I'm hot,  
And I say no bitch I'm blazin,  
Like what the fuck do you expect,  
I'm muthafuckin cajun  
I feel caged in my mind, it's like my flow doing time,  
I goes crazy inside, but when it comes out it's fine  
Like wine, wait, watch, see I get better with time like a watch,  
Osh-Ba-Gosh Posh Spice husband couldn't kick it like I kick it,  
Bitch, I kicks it,  
No cereal like a land and I sticks it  
Whatever she asks me, after she licks it  
That's too explicit,  
Well why you listening,  
(sniff) I smell smoke, is something sizzlin?  
That's her pussy,  
So hey pussy play with pussy, or play pussy.

*[ Hook ]*

But you cant, blame, me if I set this stage on fire

*[ Verse 2: ]*

They say ya nobody till somebody kills you  
Well where I'm from ya nobody till you kill somebody  
And you know what they say, when your great,  
It's not murder, it's assassinate  
So assassinate me bitch!  
'Cause I'm doing the same shit Martin Luther King did,  
Checkin in the same hotel, and the same suite bitch,  
Same balcony like, "ASSASSINATE ME BITCH!!"  
Slim toche, I don't rap, I film movies  
Hear my rap, you can call me Mr. directors' chair,

yeah, and that's a wrap.

Cut on to the next, not the next scene, bitch the next check.

Some say that X makes the sex spect,

So play with the pussy or play pussy.

*[ Intro ]*

Hey pussy, hey pussy, get em.

*[ Verse 3: ]*

Straight off the corner of apple and eagle,

Brave heart bitch like the times are medieval

Married to the game divorced the cathedral,

standing on the corner selling porcelain to people.

Forced into evil, it's all in ya head,

it's all so cerebral, call me Knievel,

You follow and I'll lead you, straight to the needle,

the bottles, the battles, the beetles will eat you,

Mama named 'Cita, I love you 'Cita,

Remember when your pussy second husband tried to beat ya

Remember when I went into the kitchen got the cleaver,

He ain't give a fuck, I ain't give a fuck neither,

He could see the devil, see the devil in my features,

You can smell it ether,

You could see 'Cita,

You could see the 'Cita

See the 'Cita in my features,

Cause she don't play neither

*[ Hook ]*





**Michael B. Kramer**

**From:** Alisa Coleman [acoleman@abkco.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 2:41 PM  
**To:** hudgins22@gmail.com  
**Cc:** Dag Sandsmark (dsandsmark@emimusicpub.com); Iris W. Keitel  
**Subject:** FW: "Don't Play" Rollingstone's Sample Clearance  
**Attachments:** STREETSSAMPLECLEARANCE.mp3

Dear Carlos:

We do not wish to approve this sample; therefore, no use may be made of the composition and the derivative work.

Please confirm by return e-mail that no use will be made.

Best regards,

*Alisa Coleman*

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**From:** Carlos Hudgins [mailto:hudgins22@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2008 2:26 PM  
**To:** Alisa Coleman; Iris W. Keitel  
**Subject:** "Don't Play" Rollingstone's Sample Clearance

Alisa & Iris,

Here's the album version of "Don't Play" per ABKCO's request in consideration for sample clearance for Cash Money/Universal artist Lil Wayne.

Note: Streetranner has tagged this version of the song due to the high risk of leaked Lil Wayne records, please inform us as soon as possible if any problems.

Thanks

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-Los

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## BONUS SONGS

### FEAT. BOBBY VALENTINO

(D. Carter, D. Harrison, R. Wilson)

Young Money Publishing Inc./Warner-Chappell Music (BMI),  
Three Nails And A Crown Publishing (ASCAP), Tight Werk Music (BMI)

Produced by Darius "Deezle" Harrison

Recorded by Darius "Deezle" Harrison @ CMR Miami, FL

Assistant: Miguel Bermudez and Edward Lido

Mixed by Fabian Marasciullo @ Hit Factory Criteria, Miami, FL

Mix Assistant: Miguel Bermudez and Edward Lido

Digital Editing: Joshua Berkman

(D. Carter, K. West)

Young Money Publishing Inc./Warner-Chappell Music (BMI),

Please Gimme My Publishing Inc./EMI Blackwood (BMI)

Produced by Kanye West for Very Good Beats/Hip Hop Since 1978

Recorded by Darius "Deezle" Harrison @ CMR Miami, FL

Assistant: Miguel Bermudez and Edward Lido

Mixed by Andrew Dawson @ Record Plant, LA

Digital Editing: Joshua Berkman

### FEAT. BETTY WRIGHT

(D. Carter, N. Warwar, J. Desrouleaux)

Young Money Publishing Inc./Warner-Chappell Music (BMI)

Run The Streets Music (ASCAP), Jason Derulo (BMI)

Produced by STREETRUNNER for High Capacity Management

Recorded by Darius "Deezle" Harrison @ CMR Miami, FL

Assistant: Miguel Bermudez and Edward Lido

Mixed by Fabian Marasciullo @ Hit Factory Criteria, Miami, FL

Mix Assistant: Miguel Bermudez and Edward Lido

Digital Editing: Joshua Berkman

Additional Keyboards: Infamous

Additional Vocals: Betty Wright

Additional Vocals Recorded and Produced by: Angelo Morris and Betty Wright

Guitars: Infamous

All songs mastered by Vlado Meller at Universal Mastering Studios, NYC

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## Lil Wayne's lazy daze

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Lil Wayne, "Tha Carter III" (Cash Money) \*\*œ

Midway through his sixth official album -- already well on its way to meeting industry expectations as the bestselling release of 2008 and widely hailed by critics as a classic, thanks to early leaks and mix-tape previews -- the former Dwayne Michael Carter employs his trademark vocodered/electronically altered vocals in a song called "Phone Home," croaking, "We are not the same/I am a Martian.... They don't make 'em like me no more/Matter fact, they never made it like me before."

The wildly inventive black artist as cosmically inspired extra-terrestrial routine is one with a noble history, encompassing talents as diverse as Sun Ra and George Clinton. But Weezy, as the laconic, singsong New Orleans rapper is also justifiably known, works way too hard to hone his eccentric image on "Tha Carter III" -- as opposed to his prolific flood of Internet product, which is much loved for its off-the-cuff freestyle charms -- and it's hard to accept that any bona fide alien would have caved so quickly to his record company's demands that this big bid for crossover superstardom had something for every demographic imaginable, violence-loving gangstas to hook-crazed teenyboppers and Robin Thicke-adoring soccer moms to ADD-suffering indie hipsters.

As scattered and unfocused as this collection is, there's no denying that several tracks midway through are almost strong enough to justify the hype, chief among them the two musically inventive, lyrically inspired jams crafted by Kanye West, "Comfortable" and "Let the Beat Build." But other tracks that are fun lyrically are dragged down by lazy musical backings ("Dr. Carter," where Weezy's operating-room spoof suffers from producer Swizz Beat's lazy lift of a straight David Axelrod riff) or vice-versa. ("Playing with Fife," Streetrunner's re-invention of the **Rolling Stones'** "Play With Fire" in collaboration with old-school soul singer Betty Wright, is wasted on a Lil Wayne lyric that seems to have been devoted to being as inanely sexist as possible.)

Ah, yes: inane sexism. That, of course, brings us to "Lollipop," the record-breaking, chart-topping single destined to be the summer soundtrack of 2008. Musically irresistible, it's not that the track is thematically reprehensible; some of the greatest hits in pop history have paid subtly veiled homage to oral sex, "Please Please Me," "Sugar, Sugar" and the B-52s' "Roam" among them. It's just that Lil Wayne is irredeemably lazy, mired in what New York Times critic Jon Pareles called the single entendre (why trouble with two when one will do?) and,

like much of the album, falling frustratingly short of what could and should have been a career climax. Even a sucker deserves better.

Jim DeRogatis

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June 30, 2008

ABKCO Music Inc.  
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ATTN. Alisa Coleman, Vice President Music

Dear Ms. Coleman:

I listened to and reviewed the following materials:

- a) sound recording of the composition *Play With Fire* by Nanker Phelge performed by The Rolling Stones,
- b) a sound recording labeled STREET SAMPLE CLEARANCE containing an arrangement of the Nanker Phelge composition *Play With Fire* performed by Lil Wayne & Betty Wright (submitted to ABKCO for "clearance")
- c) a commercially released recording of a composition titled *Playing With Fire* performed by Lil Wayne & Betty Wright.
- d) musical transcriptions of the relevant portions of each composition prepared by Donato Music and a copy of the published sheet music of *Play With Fire* ©1965 by Abkco Music, Inc..

**Conclusion**

After listening to, comparing and analyzing the music and lyric content of these materials, I determined that the Lil Wayne & Betty Wright *Playing With Fire* sound recording contains significant similarities in music and lyrics to the composition *Play With Fire* by Nanker Phelge. The unique combination of similar elements in these two compositions is so striking it indicates that *Playing With Fire* was based upon the composition *Play With Fire*. Furthermore, these similarities are so obvious and blatant that anyone familiar with *Play With Fire* will immediately recognize that *Playing With Fire* was derived from the original composition by Nanker Phelge.



### Music/Lyric Analysis

For the brief analysis below *Play With Fire* by Nanker Phelge will be referred to as *Play* and *Playing With Fire* by Lil Wayne & Betty Wright as *Playing*.

The following list of similarities between *Playing* and *Play* illustrate the obvious relationship between these works.

1. All sound recordings and the original sheet music are in the key of E minor.
2. All maintain the tonic E minor chord throughout the first section of the composition.
3. The opening lyric phrases contain the same references.

*Play*:

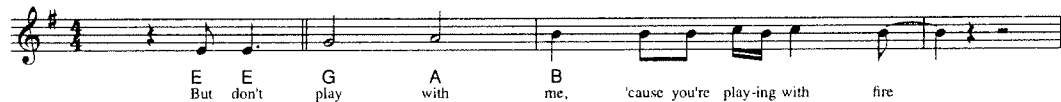
"Well you've got your diamonds and you've got your pretty clothes"

*Playing*:

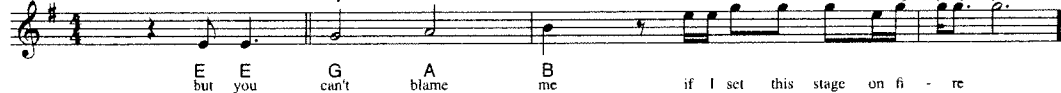
"So you've got so many diamonds you wear all the finest clothes"

4. After the initial eight bar verse section both works make use of a music/lyric climatic closing phrase that contains significant similarities. For comparison *Playing* is placed below *Play*. Observe that the first five notes at this climatic point are essentially the same in pitch (E-E-G-A) and rhythm. Furthermore, the words, "me" and "fire" are placed in the same position within this musical phrase.

*Play With Fire*



*Playing With Fire*



While the tempo of *Playing* is significantly slower than the original *Play* recording, both begin by basically maintaining an eighth note feel and momentum. Also, the number of similarities between *Playing with Fire* and the Nanker Phelge composition represents the copying of substantial music and lyric elements.

Finally, since an earlier version of *Playing* was submitted for "clearance," it reinforces the conclusion that the similarities listed above were copied from *Play*. Because *Playing* represents a derivative work a clear and powerful basis for a claim of copyright infringement exists; most assuredly, the composition *Playing With Fire* infringes the copyright of *Play With Fire*.

If you have any questions or require a more detailed report, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Anthony Ricigliano  
Musicologist

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ABKCO MUSIC INC.,

Plaintiff,

-against-

DWAYNE MICHAEL CARTER, JR. p/k/a LIL WAYNE, NICHOLAS MARK WARWAR p/k/a  
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REPUBLIC GROUP, UNIVERSAL MUSIC GROUP RECORDINGS, INC., YOUNG MONEY PUBLISHING  
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MUSIC PUBLISHING,

Defendants.

**COMPLAINT**

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